| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
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| 25. | Tripura | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 26. | Uttaranchal | 9.6 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 27. | Uttar Pradesh | 30 | 10.17 | NR | | 0 |
| 28. | West Bengal | 17.15 | 0.12 | | | 91 |
| 29. | A and N Islands | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 30. | Chandigarh | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 31. | D and N Haveli | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 32. | Daman and Diu | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 33. | Delhi | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 34. | Lakshadweep | 0.5 | 0.17 | 0.17 | | 0.5 |
| 35. | Pondicherry | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

**Compulsory registration system for import of drugs**

1915. SHRI KHAN GHUFRAN ZAHIDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the registration system for the import of Bulk Drugs and Finished Formulation has been made compulsory with effect from 1st January, 2003;

(b) if so, the names of the Companies and the names of Medicines for which the registration applications have been received by DCGI;

(c) how does Government propose to monitor and inspect these manufacturing units abroad; and

(d) how does Government propose to meet the expenses of inspection of such units which are located abroad?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir. However, the deadline has now been extended upto 31st March, 2003;

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Inspection of overseas manufacturing sites is not a mandatory criteria for registration for import of drugs. Presently, such imported drugs, which have been in use in the country for a considerable period and are

duly approved are registered, provided all the documents prescribed under Schedule D (1) & D (II) of the Notification No. G.S.R. 604(E) dated 24.08.2001 are provided. Whenever required such overseas manufacturers, will be inspected as per Good Manufacturing Practice norms.

(d) Under Rule 24-A (5), the applicant shall pay a fee of five thousand US dollars for inspection.

**Ayurvedic therapy treatment in Britain's National Health Services**

1916. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Britain is preparing to offer India's ancient Ayurvedic Therapy treatment free of cost on its National Health Services; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) High Commission of India, London has informed that the question of availability of Ayurveda remedies free of cost on National Health Services, if any, is yet to be decided by the U.K. Government.

**Dental Diseases**

†1917. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the dental diseases among children and young people are taking shape of epidemic in the country due to continuous increase in the consumption of chocolate, toffee and cold drinks like Coca Cola and Pepsi, etc.;

(b) whether it is also a fact that AIIMS and Indian Dental Association have suggested to include the dental diseases programme in the National Disease Eradication Programme; and

(c) if so, the decision taken by Government?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.